

February 10, 2005



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DEPARTMENT OF LAW

Ms. Elizabeth O'Donnell Executive Director Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard P.O. Box 615 Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-061

Re: Case No. 2004-0462

(Columbia Gas of Kentucky -- Application)

Dear Ms. O'Donnell:

Please find enclosed herewith for filing an original and 10 copies of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government's Comments in the referenced matter. Please contact me should you have any questions pertaining to the same.

Yours truly,

David J. Barberie Corporate Counsel

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



IN THE MATTER OF:

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THE APPLICATION OF COLUMBIA GAS)		
OF KENTUCKY, INC. TO IMPLEMENT A)	Case No.	2004-00462
NEW SMALL VOLUME GAS TRANSPORTATION)		
SERVICE, A GAS PRICE HEDGING PLAN, AN)		
OFF-SYSTEM SALES AND CAPACITY RELEASE)		
REVENUE SHARING MECHANISM, AND A GAS)		
COST INCENTIVE MECHANISM)		

LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT'S WRITTEN COMMENTS AND REQUEST FOR AN INFORMAL CONFERENCE

COMES the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government (the "LFUCG"), by counsel and in response to the Commission's Order of February 4, 2005, and states the following. The LFUCG believes that Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. ("Columbia") should continue to provide a program substantially similar to the current CHOICE program, which allows for customers to obtain gas at potentially lower cost, and supports this general concept of the application. However, the LFUCG understands and appreciates Columbia's concerns regarding the continuation of such a program.

The LFUCG also believes that this would be an appropriate time for further discussion of this matter by the parties, either informally or at a hearing. Therefore, the LFUCG respectfully requests that an informal conference be scheduled, but is not opposed to the scheduling of a formal hearing, if that is the desire of any of the other parties.

Respectfully submitted,

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Corporate Counsel

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I hereby certify that an original and ten (10) copies of this Motion to Intervene were served by first class U.S. Mail delivery, postage prepaid, to Elizabeth O'Donnell, Executive Director, Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 615, 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-0615; furthermore, it was served by mailing a copy by first class U.S. Mail delivery, postage prepaid, on the following, all on this the jour day of January 2005:

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